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MINERS WANT RAISE OF TWENTY PER CENT

Report of Wage Committee Demands Run-of-Mine Basis in the Central District.

OPERATORS PREPARE TO FIGHT.

Illinois Men Will Ask That Plans for Payment Be Made Identical in All Other Regions Where Coal Is Mined.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 23.—The United Mine Workers' Wage Committee reported to the convention a little better mood today, and the convention went into executive session.

It is understood that the demand of the workers is about 20 per cent.

The first demand is for a run-of-mine basis over the entire central competitive district, which is not conceded for very strongly. Patrick Dolan, Secretary W. R. Wilson and others spoke in opposition, Mr. Wilson said:

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FINANCIERS OPPOSE TRUST COMPANY BILL

Senator Matthews's Measure to Restrict Transactions Cause of Much Discussion.

DO NOT THINK IT WILL PASS.

Proposed Law Is Classed as Unjust Legislation by James L. Blair, Who Framed the Present Statute.

The bill introduced by Senator Matthews of St. Louis County in the upper branch of the General Assembly of Missouri to amend the law by prohibiting trust companies from buying and selling real estate and from acting as executors of wills, has caused considerable discussion among St. Louis trust company officials and financiers generally.

For the most part the trust company men do not believe that the bill will pass the Legislature. They think if it should, however, that it would be vetoed by the Governor. Similar bills have come up at previous sessions, but were laid aside. As far as could be learned yesterday, the trust companies here will take no concerted action to oppose the measure.

All the trust company officials agree in the opinion that the enactment of the law would be unjust legislation, and would deprive the institutions of their most essential function. The general opinion of the trust company officials is summarized in an interview given by Breckinridge Jones, vice president of the Mississippi Valley Trust Company, and James L. Blair, president of the same institution.

"A long and business done by trust companies is safe and not contrary to public policy. I do not believe that the bill should have the privilege of doing their business through them. If they do, there is no reason why they should not be able to do so. The bill is not safe, that there is not sufficient supervision and examination of them by the State's officers. No one would come an amendment in that regard more than the trust companies themselves."

TRUST COMPANIES SAFE.

"Under the old system of having individuals act as executor, curator, guardian, etc., there was scarcely a county in the United States where there had not been a default, and where the beneficiaries of trust estates were in a state of confusion and uncertainty. I do not know of a single instance in the United States where a beneficiary has been defrauded by a trustee, as long as the methods are not contrary to public policy, in such way as in their judgment will best conserve their interests."

James L. Blair, who is author of the trust company act of Missouri, in discussing the proposed bill, said:

"The proposed amendment to the trust company law, taking away from them the power to act as agent in the management of real and personal property, and the execution of trusts of all kinds, including the administration of estates and curatorship of minors, is, in my opinion, unwise and unjustifiable."

"The trust companies were given these powers more than ten years ago, and have exercised them with fidelity and good judgment. On the whole, I believe interests of property owners and estates have benefited by the change from individual representation to the corporate agency of companies."

"The fact that the trust companies have taken away business from smaller dealers in real estate and from many lawyers, and that the inevitable trend toward the more intelligent and economic methods for the transaction of affairs."

"Moreover, I think the injury to individuals resulting from the exercise of these powers by trust companies is somewhat overrated. Individual real estate agents are always allowed one-half the commission on sales of property in charge of trust companies, and all reputable lawyers who bring them business are employed by the companies for the closing of that business. The proposed legislation would, in my opinion, if enacted, greatly hamper and injure the business of some of the best institutions in the State."

SEVEREST STORM OF WINTER.

Street Car Traffic Is Suspended at Sedalia, Mo.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Sedalia, Mo., Jan. 23.—The severest storm of the winter to-day is sweeping over Central and Western Missouri.

Snow commenced falling this forenoon and has fallen steadily all day, and is increasing to-night. Snow is eight inches deep on the street.

The street-car traffic has been suspended and trains on all of the railroads are running behind schedule.

DEEPEST OF SEASON AT MARSHALL.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Marshall, Mo., Jan. 23.—The deepest snow of the season fell here to-day. A large amount of corn is ungathered in large county and the heavy snow will retard the gathering, causing much loss. Wheat will be greatly benefited.

BLIZZARD AT MOBERLY.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Moberly, Mo., Jan. 23.—The most severe blizzard and snowstorm of the season commenced here this afternoon, and to-night it is still raining. The snow is deep and still rapidly falling.

This, with the prevailing scarcity of fuel, both coal and wood, presents great suffering among the poor. There is no sign of a let up in the storm.

STORM AT CHAMBERS.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Chambers, Mo., Jan. 23.—A snowstorm has been raging since noon to-day, covering the ground to the depth of 5 inches. At present it shows no signs of abatement, which no doubt will mean the heaviest fall of snow so far this winter.

SIX INCHES AT WARRENSBURG.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Warrensburg, Mo., Jan. 23.—Warrensburg was visited by the heaviest snow of the season to-day, six inches falling in nine hours.

SNOW IN KANSAS.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Kansas City, Jan. 23.—A driving snowstorm prevails in Central Kansas to-day and night. Snow is falling in other parts of the State, as well as in Western Missouri. No delay to trains has yet been reported.

PIGEONS MIGRATE TO YUCATAN.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Denison, Tex., Jan. 23.—Doctor A. T. Canova and Mr. Marklin passed through here to-day en route to Chicago. They have been in the district of Yucatan, Mexico, for some time, and have been clearing up the mystery surrounding the disappearance of the wild pigeons from the United States.

AUTHOR OF THE BILL TO LIMIT OPERATIONS OF TRUST COMPANIES.



R. L. MATTHEWS, State Senator from St. Louis County, who introduced the bill to prohibit trust companies from transacting a real estate business.

LESSER'S CHARGE OF ATTEMPTED BRIBERY UNDER INVESTIGATION.

New York Congressman Gives Detailed Account of Alleged Effort to Influence His Vote for Submarine Torpedo Boats for \$5,000—Name of Lemuel E. Quigg Appears in His Testimony—Quigg Gives Out Interview at Variance With the Assertions of Lesser.



MONTAGUE LESSER, Who defeated Perry Belmont in the congressional race.

Washington, Jan. 23.—The House Committee on Naval Affairs to-day began the investigation authorized by the House as a result of the statements made by Representative Lesser to the committee that he had been approached with an offer of money to influence his vote in the committee. The committee first went into executive session.

At 11:30 the doors were opened and Chairman Foss announced the purpose of the meeting, reading the resolution adopted by the House yesterday. Mr. Foss first asked Representative Lesser, who was sworn.

LESSER'S POSITION.

Mr. Taylor of the committee questioned Mr. Lesser, who stated that he was opposed to the building of more submarine torpedo boats. Mr. Lesser identified Philip Dolan and told of a conversation he said he had had with him.

Mr. Lesser said Mr. Dolan came to him one morning and asked if the Holland submarine torpedo-boat proposition would again come before the House. "I said I supposed so. He asked if I was still opposed to it, and I said I was."

Mr. Lesser testified that Mr. Dolan said he had been sent for by Mr. Quigg and Mr. Quigg had told him there was \$5,000 in it if he (Lesser) could be brought to the other side.

Mr. Lesser said that he said there must be no further talk on that proposition. Mr. Lesser then said that Dolan suggested that Mr. Quigg was a man of power and influence, and that if I wanted to come back here I would be aiding myself by doing him this favor."

TALKED WITH QUIGG.

Mr. Lesser then told of a conversation he said he had with Mr. Quigg at Lesser's office, No. 31 Nassau street, New York.

He then said that before the opening of Congress or during the holiday recess, Mr. Quigg telephoned that he wanted to see him. "I told him to come over and he came to my office within an hour."

Mr. Lesser testified that he then told Mr. Quigg that there should be no question of money. In answer to questions he said Mr. Quigg had not mentioned torpedo-boats, but added: "I had no other business with Mr. Quigg and inferred that it was on this account that he came to see me."

Mr. Lesser said that at the time of the conversation with Dolan the latter was a deputy in Mr. McCaullagh's office. He said that Dolan got some mail in his (Lesser's) office and had the freedom of his office. He also said that Dolan was an ardent and faithful political friend and he (Lesser) felt under obligations to him. He did not know, except through the newspapers, that

Dolan had been ordered off the floor of the Board of Aldermen, New York City.

Asked what were the political relations between Mr. Quigg and Mr. McCaullagh, Mr. Lesser explained the political positions held by the two men. He knew of no relations except that Mr. Quigg was probably one of those who visited McCaullagh's apartment.

At the request of Mr. Quigg, Mr. Delaney Nicolls, an attorney, questioned Mr. Lesser. His questions aimed to develop the relation existing between Mr. Lesser and Mr. Dolan. Mr. Lesser said he believed Dolan was authorized to come to him.

Mr. Lesser said that Mr. Quigg had told him that (he Quigg) had no interest in the Holland boat, but that a friend, Mr. Hunter of Virginia, as he remembered the name, was interested in them, and he wanted to do him a favor.

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Lot 968—12 Fancy Cassimere Suits that sold for \$10.95, now.....\$7.50	Lot 8164—10 Fancy Mixed Cheviot Overcoats, that sold for \$16, now.....\$7.99	Lot 534—15 Boys' Oxford Reffer Coats that sold for \$7, now.....\$3.49
Lot 4355—14 Checked Worsted Suits that sold for \$15, now.....\$8.99	Lot 4963—8 Black Thibet Overcoats that sold for \$18, now.....\$9.99	Lot 600—50 Boys' Oxford Reffer Coats that sold for \$3.50, now.....\$1.99
Lot 9363—7 Fancy Worsted Suits that sold for \$15, now.....\$8.99	Lot 5177—15 Black Thibet Overcoats, 54 inches long, that sold for \$10.95, now.....\$5.50	Lot 698—75 Fancy Blue and Black Thibet Suits that sold for \$7, now.....\$2.99

statement to-night with reference to the testimony before the House Naval Affairs Committee by Representative Lesser. I regret that the committee declined to receive my testimony to-day, inasmuch as I think it should have gone with Mr. Lesser's. I have no interest whatsoever, and never have had an interest, in the Holland torpedo boat, or of any of the companies organized to promote. Nor am I ever was over in any way, interested in obtaining pending or other legislation in their behalf.

"At the solicitation of a friend, whose name I will give to the committee, who said he was interested, I consented to speak with Mr. Lesser in advance of the boat. As the result of efforts to reach Mr. Lesser by telephone, I was visited by Philip Dolan, whom I knew to be Mr. Lesser's personal friend. I made no other request of Dolan than that he should let me know when Mr. Lesser was in town and in his office, in order that I might see him."

CALL ON LESSER.

"Subsequently Dolan called at my office again and told me that Lesser was in his office and I called there.

"Mr. Lesser, at his office, did not open the conversation by saying that, of course, there could be no talk about money. He did not say this then or at any other time during the conversation, nor was there any talk about money except in his own declarations against the methods to which he said the company was resorting."

"It is very true, however, that he did not mention to me any prior conversation between him and Dolan. He received me politely and in a friendly spirit, and it was I who introduced the subject of the Holland torpedo boat."

Mr. Lesser promptly announced his opinion to the pending appropriation, and stated, with great detail, why, in his opinion, the Holland bill should not pass. I did not feel myself sufficiently well informed about the merits of the case to discuss them with him, and when he had done I told him that I guessed he knew more about the subject than I did; that I had sufficiently performed my errand, and that I had no request whatever to make of him. I did not mention to Mr. Lesser, about the gentleman who had requested me to talk with him or to say more on that subject than that he was a friend whom I should like to oblige. As a matter of fact, he was not General Eppa Hunton or any Mr. Hunter, or any person of a similar name. I never said anything of that sort to Mr. Lesser. Subsequent to this conversation between Lesser and me, Dolan called twice at my office, urging me to visit Lesser again, but I did not do so."

STEAMER SINKS AT ST. CHARLES.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

St. Charles, Mo., Jan. 23.—The steamer Fawn was sunk near the St. Charles ferry landing at the foot of Adams street Thursday night, caused from floating ice breaking a hole in the boat's hull at the water's edge.

The boat will not be raised, and the work of taking out the machinery and cabin was started Friday morning. The Fawn was owned by the St. Charles ferry for eight years, but its unsound condition led the transportation company to buy the Gage and retire the Fawn last summer.

TWO NEW POST OFFICES.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Golconda, Ill., Jan. 23.—Post Offices have been established at two new Illinois Central stations—South Brownfield and Renshaw. T. R. Dunn and E. L. Renshaw were appointed Postmasters at the respective towns.

THREE SCHOOLS CLOSE.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Golconda, Ill., Jan. 23.—Three schools near Golconda have been closed on account of smallpox, but no cases are reported in town yet.

MCLEAN'S RELATIVES IN EAST.

St. Louis Man Who Died Suddenly Was of Prominent Family.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, Jan. 23.—William H. McLean, secretary of the Western Freight Rate Association, who dropped dead in St. Louis last night, was a member of an old East Side family of this city. Mr. McLean was a graduate of St. Francis Xavier's College, class of '72. Among his classmates were Bishop McDonnell of Brooklyn, Bishop McFarland of Trenton, the Reverend Doctor F. H. Fall, and a number of other well-known New York clergymen and laymen.

Mr. McLean studied law and graduated from Columbia in the class of '76. He went South, and served two terms in the Florida Legislature. A month ago he visited Brooklyn, called here by the death of his father. It is thought that he contracted a cold while in the East, which terminated in a case of grip, from which he died.

THE RILEY CASE IS CONTINUED.

Wife of Murdered Man Becomes Ill at Carrollton.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Carrollton, Ill., Jan. 23.—A postponement of the trial of Mrs. Ella M. Riley, charged with the murder of her husband, William M. Riley, last July, has been granted until January 27, owing to Mrs. Riley's illness at Carrollton, where she has resided since the killing.

No further delays in the case are expected, as it will appear that the case is a case of grip, from which he died.

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